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Amendment

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the office action of May 5, 2006, please amend this application as follows.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.